

**The Whole Life
Character and Conversation of that Foolish Creature
called GRANNY.**

Being a true Account of one Mr. Wilson an Eminent Lawyer of the Temple, who above all things, doated to Distracti^on, on this simple Creature; and how he had two Children by her, and the means he us'd to decoy her, and keep the thing secret.

Likewise That by his last Will and Testament which you may find in Doctors Commons, he has left her six thousand pounds in ready Money, five hundred pounds a Year in Land, for her and her Heirs forever, she being at this time, with Child by him.

And lastly you have a Copy of Verses, made on Granny's good Fortune.



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TIS an old saying but a very true one, that Fools have fortune, and I think this following relation will verify it to the great surprise and astonishment of all that shall hear it.

Could ever it enter into the Thoughts of Man, that such an ugly hatcher face, nasty, dirty and greasie creature, hardly a shift to to her Breech, Shooes to her feet, stockings to her Legs or cloaths to her back; one that was kept at a Parish house at Nurse; acted with merry Andrews in Shows, Booths and Faires, on purpose to bring in Customers to the keepers of them, should ever provoke an Eminent Lawyer of the Temple, to become enamour'd with such a Creature.

But thus fate will have it so, for Fortune was allways figured Blind, I think in this Case she was very blind indeed, did so bewitch, I rather think besot that Person, that his curiosity as fame does report, had a great Inclination to have the Virginity of this tempting figure.

But how to bring it about without the Worlds knowledge, was the greatest Mystery and what he was to undertake, but as such Persons are very ready at contrivance, and especially where the Thoughts were first set on fire in expectation of having a Maiden head; this I suppose was the only matter that

did induce him to this extraordinary undertaking.

He sees her a singing one day, as it was her usual custom to do, for a farthing, or sometimes for some Victuall, in the street, and there he gave her a penny. and asked when she wou'd be at one of the Shew-booths again.

She replied, that she shou'd be at Bowfair in the Whitsun Week, and there the whole World might see her, however he went there and some more of his Consorts, who was entrusted in the secret, went with him in a Coach, and staying late at Night till the shew was over; and she running in at one Publick House, and showing what tricks she cou'd to get Money; she at last came to this House where the Gentlemen were drinking in a Room by themselves, and asked them whether she should shew them any sport and pastime.

This Lawyer wanting such an opportunity was glad of the occasion, and so plyes her with Victualls and Wine, till my Lady Granny was finely drunk, and so she fell into a sound Sleep, and late at Night he caused her to be put into the Coach, and carryed her home to his Chambers at the Temple, where he had provided a fine Holland Shift laced for this extraordinary Lady to put on.

But the Woman that looked after the Gentlemans Chambers was employed about washing of her clean and combing of her head, and

and when she was well cleaned, Powdered and perfumed, she was put to Bed in mighty great state and Order, and wondered how fortune had been so kind as to place so happily.

My Lawyer, who was all this while in a longing Expectation of coming to his Charming Dear, thought the time very tedious and long, and often prest the Woman to make haste, but he was no sooner come into the Chamber, but without any Ceremony, he runs immediately and leaps into the Bed, and then hugs and embrace his lovely fair one, and as he thought at once to have the fruit of his longing expectation satisfied in a Minute.

But here our Lover was mightily mistaken for she was not so easily won, for she held him out to it, with the greatest denial imaginable, and said she could not do such a thing for her Life, for fear her Nurse would whip her, and her Father and Mother would never Love her more; this made our Spark kiss her, and told her he would give her all those fine Cloaths and a Crown into the bargain, and said what fine things he would do for her if she would but make him so happy.

With much perswasion he brought her to his Bow, and when once she had tasted the delight there was in lying with a Man, she truly hugged her Spark, and told him she would never lie with a Woman again, and he pressing her to know the Reason why, she said because they were not so good natured as the Men.

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were, they never huged them and buſt them ſo much as the Men did, nor gave them ſuch fine Cloaths and Money, as he ſaid he would give her, and for that reaſon ſhe would never lye em again, no marry would ſhe not.

Mr. the Lawyer, was very well pleas'd he had ſo far gain'd his Miſtreſſes Affection, that ſhe was ſo content'd never lye with a Woman again, but always with a Man; he ſoon had a thought come into his head, that if he ſhould lye with any other Man how finely he ſhould be ſerved, therefore told her, hop'd ſhe would lye with no other but himſelf, and his Lady promiſed him ſhe would not, and after an hour or two of Chat with her in Bed at laſt he got up, and order'd a ſupper to be provid'd for his Miſtreſs, and then made her drunk as before, and ſo ſent her home to her Nurſes in a Hackny Coach, that it might not be diſcover'd to the World, where ſhe had been and with whom.

In proceſs of time my Granny grew big with Child, and being brought before the overſeers of the Poor, they asked who had got her with Child ſhe ſaid ſhe did not know who it was, they asked where ſhe had been, ſhe told 'em every thing that had paſſed, but wou'd not tell the place, nor the Perſon, and thus were the overſeers diſappointed of their Booty of Twenty or Thirty Pounds, as they expected to have.

In Proceſs of Time, Granny was in Labour, and feeling the mighty pains, ſhe had cryed out, this what a Woman gets by lying with a Man, O, ugly Dog Rogue, they ſhall never lie with me more.

And in Eleven Months time, my Granny was brought to Bed, again of an other Child, the Midwife and all the Women fell to questioning her but they could never get the knowledge of the Person, though the Parish had allways the plague and Trouble keep the Children, but to release them of some of ther Ironble, one of my Grannys Children dies, and she never minding it, said it might dye if it wou'd, that was all she cared for it.

But now the matter it seems is to be no longer kept as a secret, for so it falls out, the Lawer that got those Children, happen to fall sick and dyes, and has left my Granny, by his last Will and Testament, as you may find in the Prorogative Court, the sum of six Thousand Pounds in ready Cash, besides Plate Jewells and Rings, he has also left her five hundred Pounds per Ann in good Land, to her and her Heirs for ever; she as the World says, being with Child by the said Lawyer again.

So that Granny that now lives by her Nurse Hiersons, in Church street against St. Gile's Church, in St. Gile's Parish in

the Fields, by Tyburn Road is now likely
ride in her Coach and Horses, and is set-
ting up for a Person of Quality in all haste,
and thus the World may see how Cross
this Curst Witch blind Fortune is, to send
Riches only to Fools, and Knives for
Honest Carefull pains taking people,
shall never arrive to so great a Glory as
this insignificant helpless Wretch has
done.

A copy of Verses on Granny's good
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Fortune Favours only Fools,
Villains, Knaves' and such like Tools
Men of Sense, and of good parts
Are strangers to such Golden darts
Thus the Worlds a Lottery grown,
And Granny the great prize has won,
Six Thou and Pound a Noble Sum,
Fit for a Lord of Christendome,
With five hundred pounds a Year,
Enough for any Noble Peer,
Who would have thought, that her poor state,
Should ever rise to be so great,
Let's live in hopes since that she,
Is Rich and Great. Why may not Wee.

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